News Release

CONTACT: Todd Wivell 301-600-3653 Office 240-397-0255 Cell twivell@frederickcountymd.gov



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tomorrow's Future - New Deputies Join Sheriff's Office

Seven Deputies Complete Academy Training

FREDERICK, **Md.** (April 2, 2021) – Completed their academy training and ready to assist the citizens of Frederick County, seven new Frederick County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) deputies started their careers this week.

"These deputies are just starting their journey in the ever-changing world of law enforcement," said FCSO Sheriff Chuck Jenkins. "I am excited to see how they take this law enforcement academy education, along with their on-the-road field training they are about to receive, and apply it all in today's world."

These newly trained deputies are:

Madison Engels
Tyler Haldeman
Brooks Keller
William Mayhew

Austin Petry
Benjamin Seiss
Jacob Sewell

While at the academy, these recruits learn, complete scenarios, and must pass written and physical tests to be able to graduate. Some of the main topics they learn are:

- Fourth amendment issues relating to search and seizure
- De-escalation
- How to recognize and deal with people with intellectual developmental disabilities
- Dealing with people experiencing a mental health crisis
- Officer safety
- Firearms
- Use of force
- Handcuffing
- Defensive tactics
- Emergency Vehicle Operations Course; learning to drive and operate a police car
- Maryland criminal and vehicle law
- A lot of physical training.

Now that the deputies have graduated and completed this training, they will start actual field training and will be on a probationary period that can sometimes last up to 18 months.

The Frederick County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) is a full-service law enforcement agency; an arm of the court, and a keeper of offenders. In this regard, it exists to serve the more than 250,000 citizens of Frederick County with respect, fairness, and compassion. FCSO is committed to the prevention of crime; the protection of life and property; the preservation of peace and order; the enforcement of laws and

ordinances; the safeguarding of constitutional guarantees; and safekeeping of prisoners. The men, women, and officers of this office nurture public trust by holding themselves to the highest standards of performance and ethics. The FCSO is located at 110 Airport Drive East, Frederick, MD, 21701. Visit www.frederickcosheriff.com for more information.

###